

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [9] with the following paragraph:

[0009] Figure 4 is a block diagrams showing the ultrasound systems of Figures 1 and 2 in communication with a local data system.

Please replace paragraph [28] with the following paragraph:

[0028] The ultrasound systems 100 and 150 may be provided in communication with a local data system 250 as shown in Figure 4. For example, in an exemplary embodiment the ultrasound systems 100 and 150 may have the local data system 250 configured as a local data archive having stored therein information relating to ultrasound examinations. This information may be entered, for example, using the user input 120 or other user interface, and may include patient information (e.g., name, address, scanning history, etc.), exam information regarding ultrasound scans to be performed, appointment information and work lists relating to scheduled ultrasound scans for specific patients. As another example, and in another exemplary embodiment, the ultrasound systems 100 and 150 may be connected with the local data system 250 and configured as a local server having stored therein information relating to ultrasound examinations. It should be noted that the information within the local data system 250 may be stored, for example, within a patient database.

Please replace paragraph [42] with the following paragraph:

[0042] It should be noted that the screen displayed after a user selects the Exit selection member ~~560~~562 or 502 (shown in Figure 6) may be, for example, a predetermined screen based upon user preferences, system requirements or a current application. In an exemplary embodiment, a main scan screen 600 as shown in Figure 8 is displayed and includes a control portion 602 for controlling various operations of the ultrasound systems 100 and 150 (e.g., compounding, enhancement, coloring, etc.) and a menu portion 604 for

selecting an operation screen to be displayed and/or a function to be performed. The selection members and/or other selectable elements may be configured as icons or other suitable members allowing for selection by a user (e.g., using a mouse or touching a touch screen). Selection members 606 in the control portion 602 may be configured, for example, to allow control of operation of the ultrasound systems 100 and 150 (e.g., control operating parameters) based upon a selected scan mode of operation. The selection members in the menu portion 604 may be configured in an exemplary embodiment, for example, as icons to select general operations such as to enter patient information (Patient icon 608), start a scan (Scan icon 610), create or generate a report (Reports icon 612), end a scan or exam (End Exam icon 614) and/or configure the ultrasound systems 100 and 150 (Utility icon 616).